

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 2605 - SB 2981**

February 17, 1998

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Allows a local governing body by a 2/3 vote to elect to have a nonpartisan primary election for members of local boards of education.

Currently, school board members are elected in a nonpartisan fashion at the appropriate general election.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

#### **Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant/Permissive**

Local political parties may now call for primaries for other offices. If a local political party has called for a primary for other offices, the decision by the local governing body to hold a nonpartisan primary for seats on the local board of education would not result in an additional cost to the county. However, if neither party in a particular county called for a primary and the local governing body chose to have a nonpartisan primary for the local board of education, the county would have to pay for a primary that otherwise would not have occurred. Also, any municipality wishing to hold a nonpartisan primary for its local board of education would probably expend extra funds to accomplish this. The impact would be dependent upon how many municipalities or counties would choose to hold these primaries which would not be held in conjunction with any other election. Since some counties already have primary elections, such increase in local government expenditures is estimated to be not significant.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "James A. Davenport". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first letters of the first and last names being capitalized and prominent.

James A. Davenport, Executive Director